BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company, as a Gas Public Utility, for Authority to Install Natural Gas Distribution Facilities in the City of Franklin, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

6630-CG-115

NOTICE OF PROCEEDING, INVESTIGATION, AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to consider the March 30, 2001, application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO), as a gas public utility, for authority under Wis. Stat. § 196.49 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 133, to construct natural gas facilities in the city of Franklin, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

WEPCO is a public utility as defined in Wis. Stat. § 196.01(5)(a), engaged in the business of distributing and selling natural gas in areas throughout Wisconsin.

In its application, WEPCO states that system improvements are necessary in order to support continued growth and enhance supply and operational flexibility. WEPCO proposes to install: 1) approximately 19,000 feet of 10-inch steel, 300-psig supply main, and 2) one 10-inch valve assembly at an estimated cost of \$1,610,000.

The proposed facilities would primarily be located in public road rights-of-way. Some portions may be located adjacent to road rights-of-way in easements on private property. The proposed route begins at the intersection of West Rawson Avenue (CTH BB) and South 51st Street and proceeds south along South 51st Street to West Puetz Road and then follows Puetz Road west to the intersection of South 76th Street. The proposed route is shown on the attached map.

The Commission intends to consider the application without a hearing.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

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This is a Type II action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(3). It consequently requires the preparation of an environmental assessment to determine whether an environmental impact statement is necessary under Wis. Stat. § 1.11. Persons wishing to comment on environmental aspects of the proposed project should contact Michael John Jaeger, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, WI 53707-7854, (608) 267-2546.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Tom Reisdorf at (608) 267-1475.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin,	
By the Commission:	
Lynda L. Dorr Secretary to the Commission	

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